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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: EARTHQUAKE

PREDICTION (02.09-11) STOLEN TAPE RECORDER

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1. SEPTEMBER 2 EMBASSY RECEIVED PHONE CALL FOR U.S. EXCHANGE, DR. BRIAN TUCKER, IN GARM AT THE COMPLEX EXPEDITION BASE OF THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES INSTITUTE OF EARTH PHYSICS.
 2. TUCKER INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICER THAT LAST NIGHT ONE OF FOUR FIELD-INSTALLED TAPE RECORDERS WAS STOLEN. AMERICAN TEAM CANNOT CONTINUE WORKING WITHOUT TAPE RECORDER. WHILE SOVIET HOSTS ARE VERY EMBARRASSED AND THE POLICE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED, TUCKER IS NOT OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE RETURN OF THE TAPE RECORDER WHICH WAS PROBABLY APPROPRIATED BY HI-FI FAN.
 3. TUCKER REQUESTS THAT FRED BOATWRIGHT AT INSTITUTE OF GEOPHISICS AND PLANETARY PHYSICS, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IN SAN DIEGO (LA JOLLA) BE NOTIFIED WITH A REQUEST TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATELY A REPLACEMENT. TAPE RECORDER IS SONY MODEL NUMBER TC-800B. STOLEN WITH TAPE RECORDER WERE CABLE CONNECTORS NECESSARY
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TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS FOR HOOKUP TO THE GARM UNITS. MARK

HERNANDEZ SHOULD KNOW DETAILS ABD REQUIREMENTS OF CABLE CONNECTORS.
IN ORDERING TAPE RECORDER, BRUNE SHOULD IMPRESS UPON SONY GREAT
URGENCY AND NEED FOR TAPE RECORDER. FYI: THESE IS A LONG WAITING
LINE FOR THESE TAPE RECORDERS. END FYI.

4. FASTEST POSSIBLE DELIVERY SHOULD BE WORKED OUT WITH HELP OF
ROBERT WESSON AT USCG IN RESTON, VIRGINIA, WHO IS AWARE OF
SCHEDULE FOR AMERICANS TRAVELLING TO GARM.

5. TUCKER RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM WESSON INFORMING HIM THAT
NSF HAS FINALLY APPROVED CONTRACT FINANCING WORK AT GARM. NSF
OFFICER IN CHARGE IS S.C. LIU OF RANN, EARTHQUAKE ENGINEERING,
TELEPHONE 202-632-5700.

6. TUCKER EXPRESSES THANKS FOR THE RECEIPT OF MOTOROLA
TRANSITORS.

7. TUCKER REQUESTS TELEGRAM INFORMING HIM OF APPROXIMATE
SHIPPING DATE FOR TAPE RECORDER.
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